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Ms. Cheryl Clark
Acting Chief Information Officer
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Acquisition Services Division
11S, 7th Street, Suite 100
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Re: Data Center Project

Dear Ms. Clark:

I am writing this letter to enthusiastically support the PPEA proposal submitted by Koll Development Company and its partner, EDS, to locate a data center for the Commonwealth of Virginia in Wise County.

As you may know, Mountain Empire Community College works aggressively with new and expanding companies to create new job opportunities by providing customized training for businesses and industries to assist to maximize the skills and abilities of the workforce in our service area. We will assist in education, training, retraining and other key components to provide a qualified workforce for this important project in the Commonwealth.

Again, I enthusiastically support the PPEA proposal submitted by KDC and EDS to locate a secondary data center for the Commonwealth of Virginia in Wise County. I also look forward to working with them regarding their training needs and I hope to assist in making this important proposal a reality for the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Sincerely,

Louis Collier, Director
Center for Workforce Development